

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
District of Minnesota

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

JUDGMENT IN A CRIMINAL CASE

v.

RUBEN CAZARES

Case Number: **0:22-CR-00325-ECT-JFD(1)**USM Number: **36556-510****Steven J Wright**

Defendant's Attorney

THE DEFENDANT:

- ☒ pleaded guilty to count 1 of the Indictment
- ☐ pleaded nolo contendere to count(s) which was accepted by the court
- ☐ was found guilty on count(s) after a plea of not guilty

The defendant is adjudicated guilty of these offenses:

Title & Section / Nature of Offense**Offense Ended****Count**

21:841(a)(1) and 846 CONSPIRACY TO DISTRIBUTE METHAMPHETAMINE

10/31/2022

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The defendant is sentenced as provided in pages 2 through 5 of this judgment. The sentence is imposed pursuant to the Sentencing Reform Act of 1984.

- ☐ The defendant has been found not guilty on count(s)
- ☒ Count 2 ☒ is ☐ are dismissed on the motion of the United States.
- ☒ \$100.00 Special Assessment is due and payable immediately.

It is ordered that the defendant must notify the United States attorney for this district within 30 days of any change of name, residence, or mailing address until all fines, restitution, costs, and special assessments imposed by this judgment are fully paid. If ordered to pay restitution, the defendant must notify the court and United States attorney of material changes in economic circumstances.

August 2, 2023

Date of Imposition of Judgment

s/ Eric C. Tostrud

Signature of Judge

ERIC C. TOSTRUD**UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE**

Name and Title of Judge

August 2, 2023

Date

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IMPRISONMENT

The defendant is hereby committed to the custody of the United States Bureau of Prisons to be imprisoned for a total term of:

120 months as to count 1.

- ☒ The court makes the following recommendations to the Bureau of Prisons:
- That the defendant be designated to a facility as close to Joplin, Missouri as possible.
 - That the defendant be allowed to participate in the RDAP program, if he is eligible.
- ☒ The defendant is remanded to the custody of the United States Marshal.
- ☐ The defendant shall surrender to the United States Marshal for this district:
- ☐ at _____ on _____
- ☐ as notified by the United States Marshal.
- ☐ The defendant shall surrender for service of sentence at the institution designated by the Bureau of Prisons:
- ☐ before _____ on _____
- ☐ as notified by the United States Marshal.
- ☐ as notified by the Probation or Pretrial Services Office.

RETURN

I have executed this judgment as follows:

Defendant delivered on _____ to _____

at _____, with a certified copy of this judgment.

UNITED STATES MARSHAL

By
DEPUTY UNITED STATES MARSHAL

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SUPERVISED RELEASE

Upon release from imprisonment, the defendant shall be on supervised release for a term of: **five (5) years.**

MANDATORY CONDITIONS

1. You must not commit another federal, state or local crime.
2. You must not unlawfully possess a controlled substance.
3. You must refrain from any unlawful use of a controlled substance. You must submit to one drug test within 15 days of release from imprisonment and at least two periodic drug tests thereafter, as determined by the court.
☐ The above drug testing condition is suspended, based on the court's determination that you pose a low risk of future substance abuse. *(check if applicable)*
4. ☐ You must make restitution in accordance with 18 U.S.C. §§ 3663 and 3663A or any other statute authorizing a sentence of restitution. *(check if applicable)*
5. ☒ You must cooperate in the collection of DNA as directed by the probation officer. *(check if applicable)*
6. ☐ You must comply with the requirements of the Sex Offender Registration and Notification Act (34 U.S.C. § 20901, et seq.) as directed by the probation officer, the Bureau of Prisons, or any state sex offender registration agency in which you reside, work, are a student, or were convicted of a qualifying offense. *(check if applicable)*
7. ☐ You must participate in an approved program for domestic violence. *(check if applicable)*

The defendant must comply with the standard conditions that have been adopted by this court as well as with any additional conditions on the attached page.

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STANDARD CONDITIONS OF SUPERVISION

As part of your supervised release, you must comply with the following standard conditions of supervision. These conditions are imposed because they establish the basic expectations for your behavior while on supervision and identify the minimum tools needed by probation officers to keep informed, report to the court about, and bring about improvements in your conduct and condition.

1. You must report to the probation office in the federal judicial district where you are authorized to reside within 72 hours of your release from imprisonment, unless the probation officer instructs you to report to a different probation office or within a different time frame.
2. After initially reporting to the probation office, you will receive instructions from the court or the probation officer about how and when you must report to the probation officer, and you must report to the probation officer as instructed.
3. You must not knowingly leave the federal judicial district where you are authorized to reside without first getting permission from the court or the probation officer.
4. You must answer truthfully the questions asked by your probation officer.
5. You must live at a place approved by the probation officer. If you plan to change where you live or anything about your living arrangements (such as the people you live with), you must notify the probation officer at least 10 days before the change. If notifying the probation officer in advance is not possible due to unanticipated circumstances, you must notify the probation officer within 72 hours of becoming aware of a change or expected change.
6. You must allow the probation officer to visit you at any time at your home or elsewhere, and you must permit the probation officer to take any items prohibited by the conditions of your supervision that he or she observes in plain view.
7. You must work full time (at least 30 hours per week) at a lawful type of employment, unless the probation officer excuses you from doing so. If you do not have full-time employment you must try to find full-time employment, unless the probation officer excuses you from doing so. If you plan to change where you work or anything about your work (such as your position or your job responsibilities), you must notify the probation officer at least 10 days before the change. If notifying the probation officer at least 10 days in advance is not possible due to unanticipated circumstances, you must notify the probation officer within 72 hours of becoming aware of a change or expected change.
8. You must not communicate or interact with someone you know is engaged in criminal activity. If you know someone has been convicted of a felony, you must not knowingly communicate or interact with that person without first getting the permission of the probation officer.
9. If you are arrested or questioned by a law enforcement officer, you must notify the probation officer within 72 hours.
10. You must not own, possess, or have access to a firearm, ammunition, destructive device, or dangerous weapon (i.e., anything that was designed, or was modified for, the specific purpose of causing bodily injury or death to another person such as nunchakus or tasers).
11. You must not act or make any agreement with a law enforcement agency to act as a confidential human source or informant without first getting the permission of the court.
12. If the probation officer determines that you pose a risk to another person (including an organization), the probation officer may require you to notify the person about the risk and you must comply with that instruction. The probation officer may contact the person and confirm that you have notified the person about the risk.
13. You must follow the instructions of the probation officer related to the conditions of supervision.

U.S. Probation Office Use Only

A U.S. probation officer has instructed me on the conditions specified by the court and has provided me with a written copy of this judgment containing these conditions. For further information regarding these conditions, see *Overview of Probation and Supervised Release Conditions*, available at www.uscourts.gov.

Defendant's Signature _____ Date _____

Probation Officer's Signature _____ Date _____

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SPECIAL CONDITIONS OF SUPERVISION

- a. You shall abstain from the use of alcohol and other intoxicants and not frequent establishments whose primary business is the sale of alcoholic beverages.
- b. You shall complete an assessment and/or participate in a program for substance abuse as directed by the probation officer. That program may include testing and inpatient or outpatient treatment, counseling, and/or a support group. You shall execute the requisite release of information forms necessary to facilitate treatment programming, and you shall abide by all supplemental conditions of programming.
- c. You submit to substance abuse testing as approved and directed by the probation officer.
- d. You shall submit your person, residence, office, vehicle, or an area under your control to a search conducted by a United States Probation Officer or supervised designee, at a reasonable time and in a reasonable manner, based upon reasonable suspicion of contraband or evidence of a supervision violation. You shall warn any other residents or third parties that the premises and areas under your control may be subject to searches pursuant to this condition.
- e. You shall participate in a mental health evaluation. If treatment is recommended, you shall participate in an approved treatment program and abide by all supplemental conditions of treatment to include medication as prescribed. Participation may include inpatient/outpatient treatment.
- f. If not employed at a regular lawful occupation, as deemed appropriate by the probation officer, you may be required to perform up to 20 hours of community service per week until employed. You must also participate in training, counseling, daily job search, or other employment-related activities, as directed by the probation officer.
- g. You shall cooperate with child support officials to make regular support payments and pay any outstanding child support obligations.